



## How the Europeans View the NAACP

# Washington Offends MLK Day Gathering!

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America's Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day produces little interest in Europe. Sometimes a journalist re-activates the figure of the Black Civil Rights leader in a report and has a casual mention of the holiday. This year it was a bit different. Well, not the figure of Dr. King, but what has been done to another figure of history: America's first President George Washington. At this year's King Day at the Dome the South Carolina NAACP went a step too far: They constructed a wooden wall, covered it with black cloth and placed it around the Washington statue in front of the State House in Columbia so that Washington was out of sight of the rally attendees (a low turn out, by the way). That disgraceful action was not part of a celebration of the life and work of Dr. King and the fight for equal opportunities for everyone, whether



The Great Seal of the Confederacy proudly displays George Washington on his horse.

black or white: it was a protest rally of radicals in best NAACP tradition. It seems that their "protest-against-everything" attitude has gone mad and now includes President George Washington, a great American who was never contested by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The NAACP might not have noted it, but the Columbia action has produced astonishment and curiosity aboard about the very essence of their ideology. If in America, several journalists have asked themselves, what kind of mindless, hateful action it was a journalist from the German weekly magazine "Der Spiegel" recently asked why instead of using MLK Day for Americans embracing unity with fellow Americans there is deliberate division made by some black radicals in South Carolina. The separation of America's first President from an American holiday is alarming, especially if it occurs in a kind of message like "no whites", "no to the

origins of America", "that's not the country we want", etc. The international public is speechless and asks why the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People uses MLK day as a tool for separation from American tradition by segregating the memory of George Washington (Dr. King himself might be rolling

in his grave to see what is happening in his "honor").

Definitely, what happened in Columbia on MLK Day is really hard to understand. So what does the NAACP want? Dr. King never spoke against George Washington (or the Confederate battle flag). Proudly, the Confeder-

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Statue of George Washington hidden by a box so as not to offend those attending the NAACP's "King Day at the Dome" rally in Columbia, SC on January 17, 2011.

## South Carolina's Secession Hill

# Regaining its Rightful Place in History

By Jennifer Sawyer

In Abbeville, South Carolina lies a 1.9 acre tract of land known today as Secession Hill. It is named for the event of November 22, 1860 which took place there. This event forever changed the course of history for the union of states known as the United States and particularly the Southern States of America. For it was there on that date that over 3000 people gathered to hear what have become known as the secession speeches. The South Carolina legislature, which had ratified the US Constitution, believed that if it had agreed to join the union of states, then it could leave that same union if so desired. After the election of Abraham Lincoln, the SC Legislature sent word to each district to elect delegates from each for the Secession Convention to be held in Columbia in December of that year. Abbeville is given credit for holding one of the first of these meetings, although similar meetings were held throughout the state that month.

In the 1840's and 1850's, South Carolina had made many attempts to no avail to have other Southern States join her in presenting a consolidated Southern response to Northern aggression. Many considered South Carolina "too small to be a republic," as stated by the unionist lawyer Louis Pettigru of Charleston, and did not want

to join the "hotbed" of secession. Although she is the smallest of Southern States, South Carolina is about the size of Ireland, Scotland, and Austria. However, in the War Between the States which followed secession, South Carolina, based on population, gave more men to the cause than any other state and was the only Southern State that had no organized body of troops which fought for the Union.

And so, after the announcement by the SC Legislature calling for the appointment of delegates, posters went up all over the district of Abbeville as in other South Carolina towns. Citizens of Abbeville were called to convene for the election of delegates. On the morning of November 22, around 3000 townspeople met in front of the courthouse in Abbeville before marching to the hill about three blocks away to hear the secession speeches. Cannons were booming, banners were flying, and bands were playing as the entire town and surrounding area turned out for the festive event. Near the old town magazine, a speakers' stand had been built and it was here that the secession

speeches would be given. The crowd moved to that area where Thomas Chiles Perrin chaired the meeting. A nominating committee of twenty-one selected the six delegates to represent Abbeville District to the Secession Convention in Columbia the following month. They were John A. Calhoun (nephew of the late John C. Calhoun), Edward Noble, Thomas C. Perrin, Thomas Thomson, David L. Wardlaw, and John H. Wilson - all lawyers.

When the Secession Convention convened in Columbia, South Carolina on December 17, 1860 with 169 delegates from all districts, it

became apparent that a smallpox outbreak was imminent in the city. All 169 delegates boarded a train for Charles-

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Secession Rock with bronze marker placed by the UDC in the 1950's.

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In Volume V of the South Carolina Confederate Military History Journal is recorded the following excerpt:

*Regarding the morale of the Confederate army at this period, a distinguished commander of one of its divisions wrote: "Our revolutionary sires did not suffer more at Valley Forge than did our army at Yorktown, and in the retreat from it. Notwithstanding the rain, cold, mud, hunger, watching and fatigue, I never heard a murmur, nor witnessed a single act of insubordination. The want of discipline*

*manifested itself only in staggering, which is the curse of our army."*

This reference follows a report from the retreat at Williamsburg where Jenkins Brigade lost 10 killed and 75 wounded. Another 400 Confederate soldiers were left in the city at the retreat since no ambulances were available for their travel. Total Confederate losses were 1,560 killed and wounded; two thirds that of the losses sustained by the federals, thus no victory could be considered by McClellan.

So how does this relate to us in the Sons of Confederate Veterans nearly 150 years later?

We certainly cannot say that we suffer more than our Confederate fathers for we are not under the attack of gun fire, starvation or threat of our very lives. So I ask, are there any stragglers among us? Is there any murmuring in the ranks and is every man carrying out his duty and shoring up those who may be falling behind?

I'm certain that most of the men of South Carolina are fulfilling the mission to tell the story of our grandfathers who fought for and protected true adherence to the Constitution, but is every man on the front line and engaged?

As I see it, there are two and only two types of SCV members; *active* and *passive*. The active member is involved, gives of his time and energies and goes out of his way to sacrifice for the good of history, our organization and to bring honor to his Confederate ancestor. Then there is the "passive" member who rarely attends a meeting or goes to a memorial service but simply pays his annual membership dues and gives a little extra during the renewal period. Now if you fall into the passive group, don't be offended. We're glad you are on the roster but I'm simply stating an apparent fact from observation over the years and we want you to remain in the SCV. However, when men mustered into Confederate service, they came into the ranks and "carried a rifle" or served in some other specific and supportive manner; they didn't sit back and watch the battle from safety.

With that in mind, let every man review his status and position in the ranks and judge himself as to which type he represents. Every man should have a post and every Commander should assume the responsibility of assigning every compatriot a specific function in the unit. If you are not involved, step forward and volunteer; don't wait to be asked.

If you judge yourself an active member, encourage others who are "stragglers" and have fallen behind. *"The want of discipline is the curse of the army"*.....let it not affect any Camp or Brigade in the South Carolina Division. Brothers, the eyes of the world are upon us, especially during this the sesquicentennial, therefore, let every man take his place on the line and together we'll take the battle to the opposition and win the day!

## The Sesquicentennial Re-enactment of the Inauguration of President Jefferson Davis in Montgomery, Alabama

by Rev. Robert Slimp



A bus load of South Carolinians from the SCV, including several wives, left Columbia on Friday morning, February 18, to be present at the re-enactment of the inauguration of Jefferson Davis as President of the Confederate States of America. The re-enactment took place on Saturday, February 19.

Of course one of the best parts of the trip itself was riding with our fellow compatriots on a bus. It was a time of great camaraderie and fellowship. We got better acquainted with those we did not already know well and since our bus driver had a name similar to

Jefferson Davis, we simply called him, at his request, Jeff Davis. Our Division Commander was on board, and he had a mike available so that he could tell us what to expect in Montgomery and what we were going to be doing the next day. He also called on compatriots, both going and coming back, for different ones who wished to regale the group with humorous stories, jokes, and for more spiritual matters we had the Division Chaplain on board. He had an opening prayer for God's traveling mercies and to keep us safe and well. Jack Marlar, who loves to tell stories, mostly humorous, often kept us laughing, but he seriously reminded us to keep up our support of the SCV Sam Davis Youth camps.

We all enjoyed our rest stops and our lunch on the way. When we arrived in Montgomery, we were taken to our motels.

The next morning we all had to be at the Radisson Motel where we had to be packed and ready to board the bus to proceed to down town Montgomery, several blocks from the State Capitol, where we would participate in the March to the Capitol. There we were lined up and told that we were to march six abreast. South Carolina was to lead the parade. Marching in front of us would be the honor guard of the 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment Camp in Greenville, all in splendid re-enactor uniforms and carrying colors. South Carolina was to lead the parade because we were the first to secede. Behind us came Alabama and then Mississippi. It was estimated that we had a total of at least 2000 marchers from the States of the Confederacy, but you have to add at least 500 or 600 to that number because of the wives and children of those who were marching.

Many of the ladies walked in beautiful period costumes. We had one South Carolinian a lovely Southern Belle, Susan Bray who made her own dress for the Confederate Ball in Charleston. She walled with her husband Charles Bray, III.

The time for the March began and we marched to the lovely old Alabama Capitol. We were preceded by horse drawn carriages carrying Tyrone Crowley who was dressed as Jefferson Davis and looked the part, Vice President elect, Alexander Stephens of Georgia, who was

represented by Paul Bergeron, Judge Cobb (Philip Davis), and Dr. Basil Manly Sr. of Alabama, who was to give the invocation and benediction at the Inauguration. He was represented by our National SCV Chaplain, Dr. Mark Evans of Greenville, SC who read the very prayer Manly gave at the original inauguration.

A Confederate re-enactor band was seated just below the place on the Capitol steps where the inauguration took place and as we arrived they were playing genuine Confederate music, including "the Bonnie Blue Flag," "Shout the Battle Cry of Freedom," and of course "Dixie". Many in the crowd sang along with the band of about 30 men, all wearing grey uniforms and some played period instruments. They were excellent and added to the occasion. There were at least about two hundred men and women in period costume from Alabama, who were there to re-enact their



16th Regiment Camp 36 Color Guard leads the SC Delegation to the Capitol.

enthusiastic ancestors who were present at the original inauguration.

The meeting was opened by Alabama Division Commander Robert Reames; Greetings were given by Gene Hogan, Commander of the Army of Northern Virginia, Councilman Tom Strain, Jr., Army of Tennessee Commander, and A. J. Widowski, President General of the Children of the Confederacy. Chris Sullivan of South Carolina and Past Commander in Chief of the SCV, gave a historical narrative on the election of Jefferson Davis as President.

Then came the actual re-enactment of the inauguration of President Jefferson Davis. This part of the ceremony was opened by the original prayer given by Dr. Mark Evans and the re-enactor portraying Jefferson Davis gave in full, the original inaugural address. It was very reasonable. Davis said "...we are moved by no intention or design to invade the rights of others....we are anxious to cultivate peace and commerce with all nations." He ended by saying "sanctified by justice and sustained by a virtuous people, let me reverently invoke the God of our fathers to guide and protect us in our efforts to perpetuate the principles which by His blessing they were able to vindicate, establish and transmit to their posterity, and with the continuance and with the continuance of His favor, ever to be gratefully acknowledged, let us look hopefully forward to success, to peace, and to prosperity."

Following his address, Davis took his oath of office with great emphasis on the final words, "so help me God," following which he kissed the Bible upon which he had taken the oath.

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# THE FIELD PULPIT

Ken Temples  
SC Division Chaplain



As I seat myself to write this column, I tried to think of the times that I truly felt alone. Having failed to recall such a time I considered myself blessed indeed! But we just recently dodged a bullet when my daughter, the mother of our only grandchild, Suzannah, turned down a wonderful job in Salt Lake City, Utah. That was a close one. But many folks are very lonely these days, especially the elderly, those without family, those without a spouse and many others. I recently read from a WW II Veteran's memories, entitled A Saga of Love and War by William P. Norris, the father of our PPJ Editor, Bill Norris, and wanted to share an excerpt from it with you. On an Island in the South Pacific, in the summer of 1943 we find the following account;

We sat in a large circle on the ground, our heads bare. Our suits were a dozen shades of green and brown and the sun filtered through the leaves and sprinkled the green and brown with gold. Our canvas boots were new and clean, laced halfway to the knee, the strings tied and tucked in. Our helmets were covered with netting, drawn tightly across the rim and secured beneath the liner. Full field packs, loosened from the shoulders, lay on the grass. Weapons were stacked neatly in rows nearby.

"Let not your hearts be troubled; Ye believe in God, believe also in me."

He stood alone in the center of the circle. His uniform was the same as ours, with the exception of the cross which dangled from his neck. He might have been older than most of us but not much older. He held the open book in his hand but never looked at it.

"In my Father's house are many mansions; were it not so I would have told you."

On the bench the boats were arriving. The clatter of diesel engines could be heard and the smell of burning fuel mixed with the smell of the island.

"I go to prepare a place for you; and if I go, I will return and receive you unto myself, so that where I am, ye may be also."



He searched the faces of the group. They were young, scared faces, most of them wide-eyed with the solemn truth of the moment. The executive officer examined his wrist watch. His aides nervously examined their own. The medical officer made a last-minute check of the contents of his field pack. Captain Carol raised his eyes to the patch of sky between the palm leaves and lifted his hands.

"The Lord bless thee and keep thee, the Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace; in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen."

There was no command, only an exchange of glances; then we were on our feet and into our gear, and we moved in a mass through the trees to the beach. There were six boats which were enough for all of us. We left the beach at 1200 hours and crossed the reef into the bay where an ancient World War I destroyer waited. We never looked back. It was too crowded in the boats to turn, but had we, I'm sure we would have seen a lone figure standing at the water's very edge; as if he might wade in and follow after us. His head bare, his faded uniform fluttering about his wasted frame, his eyes half blind with tears, Sgt. Tim Coakley watched his people go.

You see Sgt. Coakley was at this time gravely ill. He had dedicated his life to these young men and now had to see them depart for battle without him. Truly he felt alone.

But friends fear not for Christ has left with us His Holy Spirit. His Comforter, so that we may not be alone. **"And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;" John 14:16**

Whenever you feel lonely, call upon God's sweet Spirit, our Comforter and He will see you through.



Celebrating 150 Years of Southern Pride

## WHERE WE STAND

Ricky Lee Badger  
SC Division Adjutant

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the South Carolina Division for their support. I believe that one of the reasons the South Carolina Division continues to lead our Confederation is because of the men who fill her ranks. Having worked as a camp adjutant for many years, it always surprised me how the men of my camp always rallied to support camp activities and stand shoulder to shoulder in time of need. I am no less surprised now that I'm serving as your Division Adjutant, to find the same support and the willingness to stand shoulder to shoulder among the men of the whole South Carolina Division. You all make me proud of being a member of the South Carolina Division. I would like to address several topics with you concerning our Division Membership, Membership Renewal System and our new Division Deputy Adjutant in this brief communiqué.

The South Carolina Division has added two new Camps since the 2010 Convention. We now have a Camp on James Island, the Fort Johnson Camp #1201. They have experienced a twenty-five percent membership growth in their first quarter since chartering. We also have a new Camp in Myrtle Beach, the Horry Rough & Ready's Camp #1026. They, too, are setting a higher standard for new camps in our Division. At the start of the 2011 Division Convention in Charleston we had 3058 members in good standing. That is a 3.3 percent increase in membership from the 2010 Convention. With such an increase in membership, including 440 Division Life Members and 1 Real Son, the South Carolina Division has kicked off the Sesquicentennial in a grand style that announces to the world that the South Carolina Division Sons of Confederate Veterans have not and will not pass quietly into the night!

We are currently preparing for the 2011 installment of the Membership Renewal System (MRS). This will be our sixth year using this system. It was developed and implemented to assist Camp Adjutants in their efforts during the membership renewal cycle and has proven itself to be a successful vehicle for our membership renewing process. All current members, as well as

those compatriots who are one year delinquent, will receive a billing statement in the mail. Please return this statement along with your dues to your Camp Adjutant. Please keep in mind that the MRS uses the names and addresses recorded in the Division database to create its mailing list, so keep your contact information up to date.

Also included in the MRS are five opportunities for additional giving. I encourage each of you to support one or more of these worthwhile programs. During last year's MRS cycle we had a 37 percent ratio on dues-to-opportunity giving. For every \$10.00 collected on dues an extra \$3.70 was given to support the programs presented in the MRS package. Gentlemen, that places the South Carolina Division head and shoulders above any division in the Confederation. I would like to congratulate everyone on this outstanding accomplishment.

We have a new Division Deputy Adjutant, Vohn Busby of the H.L. Hunley Camp, who will handle special projects. The Division's Montgomery Alabama Trip was an overwhelming success due to the efforts of Vohn and we all are looking forward to working with him on other projects. Please join me in welcoming Vohn, and support him in his new position.

Thank you for your confidence and your continued cooperation as Deputy Adjutant Busby and I work to improve our processes, manage the membership programs of the Division, and serve you and your Camps. The South Carolina Division continues to lead the Confederation in efforts to guard our history, and to protect the Confederate's soldier's good name. Our ability to lead is directly dependent on the generosity of the Camps and individuals in the South Carolina Division and your time, effort, and money always makes the difference.



## MUSTER

Leland Summers  
SC Division Lt. Commander

Well the time has come ... Our Sesquicentennial ... What are YOU doing about it?

**November 2010 – participated in first Secession Convention in Chesterfield County**

**December 2010 – attended memorial service for Secession Signers in Lancaster, SC**

**January 2011 – attended SCV leadership conference**

**February 2011 – visited with SCV camps and attended Battle of Aiken**

**March 2011 – participated in reenactments in Florence and Cheraw, lead lantern tours in Cheraw**

**April 2011 – attended annual SCV Reunion in Charleston, attended (politically correct) memorial service at Fort Sumter, and lived in Fort Moultrie for eight days portraying my 2nd great grandfather**

**May 2011 – attended Confederate Memorial Services in Hartsville and Columbia, participated in Battle for Columbia.**

These are some of the things that I have done over the past seven months. I do not mention these expecting an award, reward, or notification. I mention them to let you know what I have felt obligated to do to carry out our Charge. I did each so that at some point my Confederate ancestor will tell me "I saw what you did. Thank you for remembering me". Each one of these events gave me the opportunity to present the true history of the South to others or the opportunity to learn more about the true history of the South. Each one gave me the opportunity to carry out the true virtues of our beloved Confederate ancestors. I hope that you to have engaged in similar events. I believe that it is essential to carry forth our Charge if there is to be a 175th anniversary or a bicentennial anniversary of the War for Southern Independence. If YOU don't do it, who will? During the past few months, I have been contacted by newspapers, radio stations, and even some TV stations. Each has given me the opportunity to spout off about our true history as I see it and interpret it. Eventually, in each interview, the topic of Slavery will come up. One particular interviewer actually referred to the Sesquicentennial as the "South's celebration of the War for Slavery". I hope by now that you have read Walter Cisco's article "For Southern Rights, Hurrah" beginning on page 18 in our latest edition of the Confederate Veteran. If you have not, please do so now. Our Confederate ancestor fought his War with the musket, cannon, and saber. Now we must fight in the War for Truth with our hearts, minds, and soul.

Perhaps you have heard me speak about the 3 R's of the SCV. They are "RECRUITING", "RETAIN", and "RECLAIM".

**Recruitment** - This is the responsibility of each of us. In 2009 our division membership was 3031. In 2010 it was 2960. This year to date it is 3058. Potential recruits should receive personal contact as quickly as possible with an invitation to attend a local meeting. If they are accepted into membership, give them a task to do if it is no more than serving on a committee. Remember that you and your camp control our membership rolls. We have all seen potential recruits who do not belong in our "Historic Honor Society". The SCV and especially the SC Division is not an organization to become a part of if all you want to do is attend a meeting once per month, to have a meal with pard. Each one of us knows at least one person who is eligible for membership. Perhaps he may not be a member just because he has not been invited.

I believe that our Sesquicentennial will bring about renewed interest in membership. If each one of us would participate in an "Each One Get One" campaign over the next twelve months, in 2012 our division membership would total 6116. The emphasis that we place on recruitment will determine the destiny of the SCV. This is NOT just a numbers game. Let's keep in mind to use quality over quantity. If you or your camp should need applications or recruitment promotional items, please contact me or your brigade commander.

**Retain** - We certainly should strive to maintain our current membership. We can do this by having regular and meaningful meetings. Each meeting should have some historical program. We must educate ourselves before we educate others. Programs at camp meetings provide us with the opportunity to do this. There is a link for Speaker's Bureau placed on the division website to provide you with resources for programs. This is an incomplete project. I will be adding additional programs as they become available. Do you have a program? Is it listed? If not send me the information about it as soon as possible.

**Reclaim** - Every camp and perhaps every compatriot in our division knows of at least one individual who was a member at one time and is no longer current. Take ten minutes from your schedule. Give them a call. Find out why they no longer participate. Invite them to come to your next camp meeting. Better than that, offer to give them a ride to the next meeting. Watch what happens.

Your obedient servant, I remain





# SESQUICENTENNIAL — All ABOARD!

Celebrating 150 Years of Southern Pride

Dean Stevens, Pvt.  
Hart's Battery  
Hampton's Legion



They would be proud of us. Our Grandparents, 150 years ago set out to protect and preserve our freedom and liberty just as their parents and grandparents did just 84 years earlier. The week of the 12th of April, 2011 we did as Gen. Stephen D. Lee said we should. Present the true history to future generations the best way we could. With the many hours of hard work that was put in by the Chairman and committee of the Sesquicentennial events in Charleston, I had the privilege of being able to be at Patriots Point to camp and re-enact the artillery bombardment at that location and the battery at Pitts St. As the batteries were awakened at 4 am to fall in on the pieces we could only imagine that they had the same type of energetic feelings as the preparations were made for the signal to loose the hours of cannon fire upon Ft Sumter. Then we saw it. A few moments later the first shot was fired from the original mortar at Ft. Johnson across the bay from our location. Cheers from the hundreds of artillery

men and spectators, and it was given; the order to fire upon the fort. I can only imagine the tens of thousands that were on Charleston harbor on that morning at that early hour, and the crowds that were at each location. The week long event went on with demonstrations and reenactments of key events that happened in Charleston with the surrendering of Ft. Sumter. The world watched and remembered and with the dedication of those people who worked hard to make it happen we now have a story that our descendants will aspire to recreate in 50 years.



## SCV NJROTC Award

By Eugene Barron

In the year of 1999, Commander Larry Laughlin of the South Aiken High School NJROTC Unit called and asked me if I would present one of his students the SCV NJROTC Outstanding Student Award. This surprised me because I had no idea that the Commander of a local High School NJROTC Unit even knew of such award. Also, very seldom does a school ask the Sons of Confederate Veterans to do anything. I happily agreed and I started making preparations to present the first award.

A neighbor of mine had a beautiful hand writing and she agreed to write the students name on the certificate. Next step was to get a plaque made to hold the certificate. Carolina Awards here in Aiken was happy to do this for me. At the top of the plaque would be the certificate and below, a brass plate which stated: Presented by B/G Barnard E. Bee Camp #1575, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Aiken, SC. April 24, 1999.

So far, I have presented twelve Awards to twelve different students at South Aiken High School and one to an NJROTC student at Aiken High School, Rebecca Lauren Barron, which happened to be my daughter.

The accompanying photo shows cadet recipient, C/PO3 William Sparks who received this year's award.

*Compatriot Eugene Barron is the 5th Brigade Commander and a member of the Brigadier General Barnard E. Bee Camp # 1579 in Aiken, SC.*

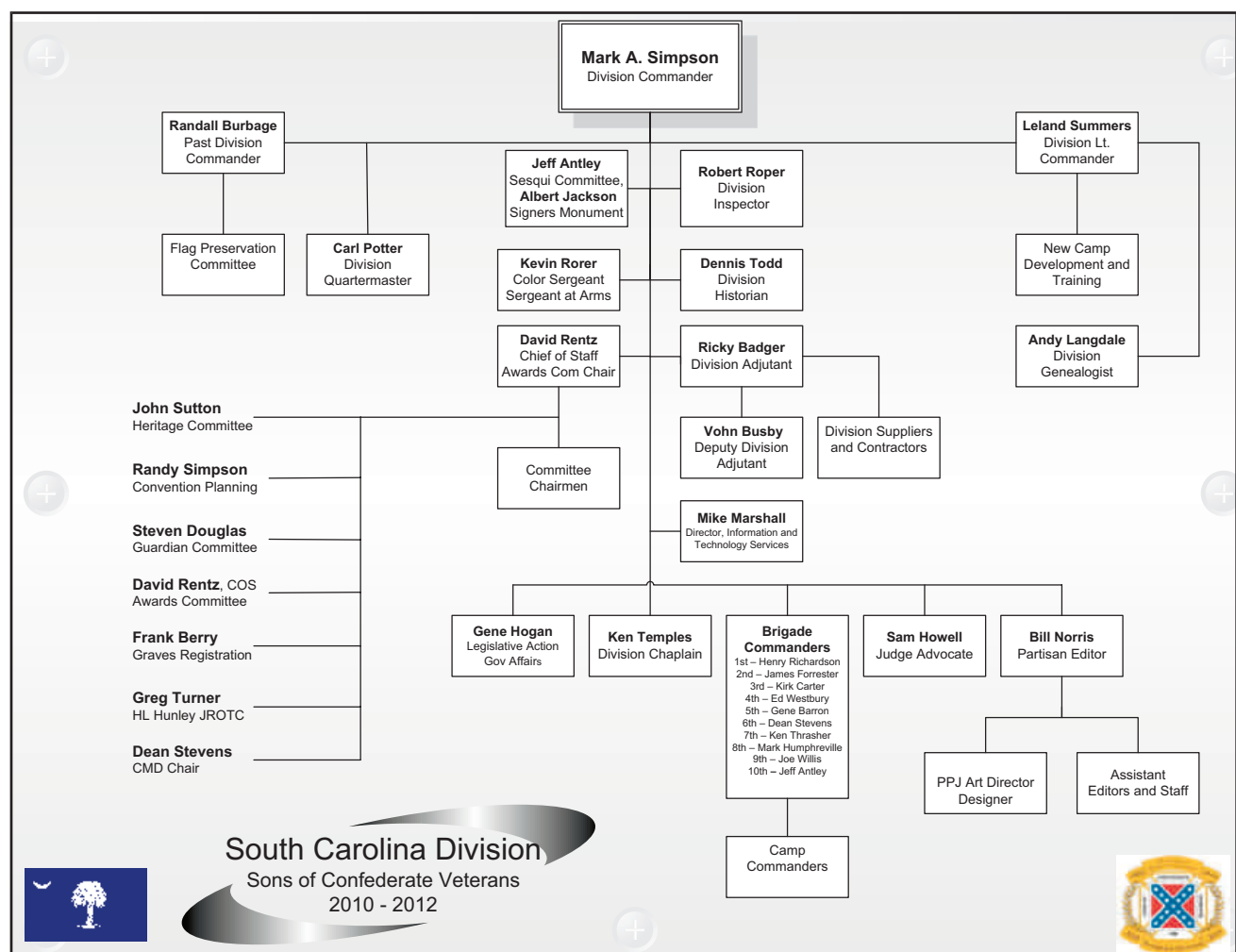
## Lone Italian Compatriot Passes

Tronto, in Italy. He sponsored a youth soccer team named "The Rebels" whose banner and uniforms were the ANV flag. He was the originator of the effort to honor CSN Capt. Thomas Jefferson Page in Rome and to restore his gravesite there and he often traveled to England to assist and support the John Low Camp in Liverpool.

Peter was born on June 12, 1932 in Monte San Quirico, a village in Lucca, Italy. He immigrated to England in 1955 and later to the US. He lived in Sweden for more than a decade before coming back to his hometown of Lucca where he settled in 1983. He worked most of his life as an optical engineer, setting up plants for wholesale industrial lens production. He is survived by his wife Pirkko and son Paul.

Peter was so very proud of his Confederate kepi wearing it to every event he attended. He was fully involved in the activities of both SCV Europe Camp # 1612 and the John Low Camp # 2161 in Scarborough, England, and was a full member of the Captain J.W. Bryan Camp # 1319 in Lake Charles, LA, USA. It is always a low when one of our Compatriots passes and especially one like Compatriot Rossi. Men like Peter Rossi pass our way but rarely. He embodied every single quality we all would be fortunate to possess as members of the SCV. He can now rest at peace fully knowing he fulfilled his sacred obligations to *The Charge*. Forrest cavalryman Cpl. Dominico Rossi is certainly proud.

*On May 9, 2011 the Sons of Confederate Veterans lost its lone Compatriot residing in Italy, Pierluigi (Peter) Alberto Rossi. Although not well known in SC, it is worth noting that one so far away did so much for our Confederate ancestors. Peter was the great-great-grandson of Confederate cavalryman Cpl. Dominico Rossi who rode with Nathan Bedford Forrest. Cpl. Rossi survived the War and is buried in the Calvary Cemetery in Memphis, TN. Pierluigi Rossi gave the SCV a very polished and highly regarded image as our "Rebel In Italy" as he so often referred to himself. A short list of his accomplishments include individually identifying 1,600+ of the 1,800 Italians who sailed to the Confederacy in 1861, mustering into Confederate service as the 1st Louisiana Italian Guard. He established a complete Confederate museum at the fortress at Civitella del*





# 2011 South Carolina Division Convention

By Bill Norris, Editor-In-Chief

This year's South Carolina Division Convention of the Sons of Confederate Veterans was held in Charleston on April 8th and 9th and was hosted by Secession Camp # 4. After arriving on Friday night attendees were invited to a reception at the Charleston Rifle Club featuring local oysters, hot dogs, and chili, as well as appetizers provided by the ladies of the OCR. Along with some fine Low Country food, some good ole South Carolina hospitality was enjoyed by all. Then on Saturday morning things got started early at the Charleston Rifle Club. A light breakfast of donuts, coffee, and juice was supplied and the OCR assisted with other breakfast pastries. First on the agenda was the morning Memorial Service conducted by Division Chaplin Ken Temples. After the service compatriots poured into the main auditorium for the days business meetings. Compatriot Ed Moon, Commander of Secession Camp, started things off by welcoming everyone to Charleston. Camp Chaplain Gene Patrick gave the opening prayer which was followed by the posting of the colors and pledges. Compatriot Skipper Gosnell led the gathering in the singing of a robust version of Dixie followed by greetings from SCV National CIC Michael Givens, ANV Councilman Gene Hogan, SC United Daughters of the Confederacy President

Eloise Verdin, Children of the Confederacy SC President Charlotte Mitchell, SC Order of Confederate Rose President Andrea Wolfe, and SC Military Order of the Stars and Bars Commander Joe Payne. Following a short break the meeting was then turned over to Division Commander Mark Simpson after which Adjutant Rickey Badger called the roll and each camp answered his call. Commander Simpson then pointed out to the gathering the handsome banners that he had displayed on either side of the front stage. They were copies of the banners that hung at the original Secession Convention in Charleston in 1860. They read, "One Voice and Millions of Strong Arms to Uphold the Honor of South Carolina, 1776 to 1860". Commander Simpson then gave the Commanders report which was followed by Adjutant Ricky Badger's report. Lt. Commander Leland Summers followed with the Lt. Commanders report and then Chief of Staff David Rentz gave his report to the Division. Other committee reports were given by Frank Berry on the Leadership Conference, John Sutton gave a report on the Divisions Heritage Defense efforts, and Stephen Douglas gave his Guardian Committee report and then pinned nine new Guardians for the Division. Next Judge Advocate Sam Howell gave his report and described the two proposed amendment changes that were voted on and approved. The first amendment change added wording to the bylaws stating that the SC Division is a part of the National

SCV under a Texas nonprofit status. The second amendment change simply made clear that if the SC Division ever folds its assets would go the National SCV. Both amendments were approved by the membership. Next Editor Bill Norris reported on the Palmetto Partisan giving information on publishing times and mailing list. Chairman Gregg Turner reported on the H.L. Hunley JROTC Program which he recently volunteered to manage after Compatriot Trip Wilson moved out of state. Finally Compatriot Randy Burbage gave a report on the Division's Flag Preservation Program, advising the membership of the great progress that has been made restoring the flags at the SC Confederate Relic Room and that there are still many more that will need to be restored.

Commander Simpson called for a lunch break and attendees enjoyed a fine meal of roast beef or turkey. During the lunch break Compatriot Albert Jackson talked about plans for the Division's Signers Monument which he announced will be placed at the planned new H.L. Hunley Museum slated for construction in North Charleston.

The Division Awards ceremony took place right after lunch and was hosted by Commander Mark Simpson. Division Awards are divided into levels based on the size of the camp. There's the Palmetto Level (30 members or less), Sand lapper Level (31 to 75 members), and the Dixie Level (76 or more members). The commander handed out awards to many deserving camps and Compatriots. The complete list of award winners can be found elsewhere in this publication and congratulations go to all the recipients of these Division awards. After the last award was handed out the committee reports resumed with the Sesquicentennial report given by Jeff Antley who talked about Sesquicentennial events planned

for the following week in Charleston. Graves Registration Chairman Frank Berry gave his report and Division Quartermaster Carl Potter reported on several fund raising projects that he is in charge of. Dean Stevens reported on the plans for the up coming Confederate Memorial Day in Columbia on May 7th this year. All Compatriots are requested to

make the trip to Columbia on the 7th. Randy Simpson who heads the Convention Selection committee reported that next years convention has been awarded to Litchfield Camp # 132 in Conway. Nearing the end of the day the Brigade commanders gave reports on the 10 Brigades in the SC Division.



Chief of Staff David Rentz presents Commander Mark Simpson an autographed flag.

sion. Each Brigade commander listed the accomplishments of his brigade during the past year.

During the breaks Compatriots were asked to sign a Confederate Battle flag that flew in front of the hall during the convention and at the end of the day Chief of Staff David Rents presented the signed flag to a very appreciative Commander Mark Simpson. Afterwards Commander Ed Moon was thanked for the good job that Secession Camp did in hosting the convention, Chaplain Ken Temples gave the closing benediction, and the colors were removed from the hall as Commander Simpson led the gathering in the singing of Dixie. As usual it was a good gathering and another great SCV convention for the Palmetto State. Thanks to those Compatriots who made the trip to Charleston for this year's convention and please make plans to attend next year's reunion in Myrtle Beach on March 23rd and 24th. It's sure to be another great event for the South Carolina Division.



Bringing the flags in

## South Carolina Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans 2011 Camp Award Recipients

By David Rentz, Division Chief of Staff

### M. C. BUTLER RECRUITING AWARD

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	Mechanized Cavalry Headquarters Camp 212
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Litchfield Camp 132
1st. Place Dixie Level	16th Regimental South Carolina Volunteers Camp 36
2nd. Place Sandlapper Level	Walker-Gaston Camp 86
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	Sgt. Berry Benson Camp 1672
2nd. Place Dixie Level	Palmetto Sharpshooters Camp 1428

### AMBROSE GONZALES NEWSLETTER AWARD, PRINTED

1st. Place Palmetto Level	Col. Henry Laurens Benbow Camp 859 – The Furlled Banner
1st. Place Dixie Level	Lt. Gen Wade Hampton Camp 273 – The Legionary
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	PeeDee Rifles Camp 1419 – The Pee Dee Patriot
2nd. Place Dixie Level	16th Regimental South Carolina Vol. Camp 36 – The Regimental Review

### AMBROSE GONZALES NEWSLETTER AWARD, ELECTRONIC

1st Place Sandlapper Level	Pvt. Thomas E. Cadwell Camp 31 – The Grey Liner
1st Place Palmetto Level	Capt. Moses Wood Camp 125 – The Rebel Yell
1st Place Dixie	Secession Camp 4 – The Sentinel
2nd Place Palmetto Level	Brigadier General Micah Jenkins Camp 1569 – Honoring the Gray
2nd Place Dixie Level	H.L. Hunley Camp 143 – The Blue Lantern

### ELLISON CAPERS SCRAPBOOK AWARD

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	Palmetto Camp 22
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Battery White 1568
1st. Place Dixie Level	Secession Camp 4
2nd. Place Sandlapper Level	Prospect Camp 1749
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	Litchfield 132
2nd. Place Dixie Level	Lt. General Wade Hampton Camp 273

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Richard Woods  
Educator & Farmer

John Maxwell  
Capt.-War of 1812  
SC Legislator

Henry McIver  
Chief Justice  
Supreme Court

William Curtis  
Educator & Founder of  
Limestone College

## IS THIS HOW WE HONOR OUR HERITAGE??

These are just some of the 170 outstanding men who stepped forward on December 20, 1860, to stand up against a tyrannical government for all South Carolina citizens. They represented the total spectrum of the citizenry - among them were lawyers, doctors, ministers, farmers, merchants, bankers, and educators. All came forward to protect the rights of the people of South Carolina. They signed the Ordinance of Secession from the Union, and for this act most lost their fortunes, families and homes. Some lost their lives in battle, some were murdered and abused, but all stood by their beliefs and convictions.

On documenting the burial sites of these 170 men, we were appalled at their condition. Some were broken, some were overgrown by vegetation, some had no legible marker, some were deep in wooded thickets or in low lying swamps, and many others not left in a respectful condition.

DO THESE MEN DESERVE BETTER? DOES OUR HERITAGE DESERVE BETTER?

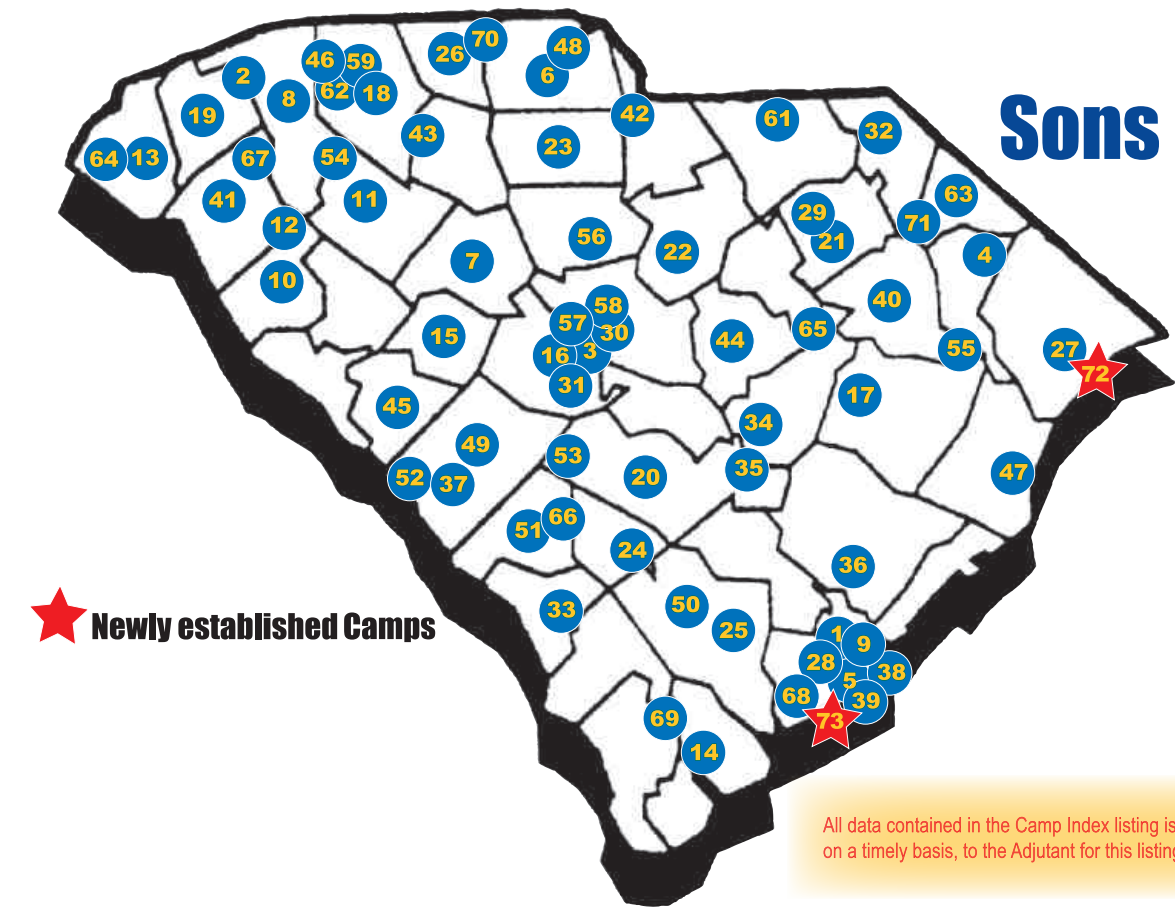
Your Division thinks so!

The South Carolina Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans has again stepped forward and is doing what is proper – Honoring our Southern Heritage. A monument of solid granite standing over eleven feet tall will be placed on the grounds of the Hunley Museum to honor these men. It will be there for future generations to learn and understand the true story and appreciate our convictions, our history, and our Heritage.

There are many ways you can be a part of this great undertaking. You or your ancestor or any person you desire, can be remembered by participating in this historic project. Go to the SC Division website at [www.scsdv.com](http://www.scsdv.com) and click on the monument for more information. For direct contact you may call: Stephen Douglas (803) 854-2103, Robert Roper (864) 923-2952, or Albert Jackson (803) 478-3986 [Santeedigetst@aol.com](mailto:Santeedigetst@aol.com)







 **Newly established Camps**

# Sons of Confederate Veterans

## 2011 Camps of the South Carolina Division

### Sons of Confederate Veterans:

*Working to Honor Southern Heritage and Remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for “The Cause for Southern Independence”.*

All data contained in the Camp Index listing is provided by the Division Adjutant and it is the responsibility of each Camp to provide correct data, on a timely basis, to the Adjutant for this listing.

CAMP	CITY, CAMP NUMBER & BRIGADE	MEETING TIME	MEETING PLACE	COMMANDER	PHONE NUMBERS	EMAIL
1. Secession	Charleston - Camp Number 0004 (10th)	3rd Tuesday (eat 6:30) meet 7:30pm	Knights of Pythias , 1820 Belgrade Ave.	Edward Moon, III	(828) 342-7475	ecmoon3@gmail.com
2. Jefferson Davis	Easley - Camp Number 0007 (1st)	3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm	George s Creek Community Center, 2306 Saluda Dam Road - Easley	Mason Jolly	(864) 261-6536 (864) 617-7133	Manse.Jolly@MSN.com
3. Palmetto	Columbia - Camp Number 0022 (6th)	2nd Tuesday, 6:30pm	Maurice's BBQ (Piggy Park), 1600 Charleston Hwy, West Columbia	Ernest Ashby	(803) 781-3404 (803) 360-7654	eashby@sc.rr.com
4. Marion	Marion - Camp Number 0024 (7th)	4th Thursday 7:00pm	Garden Alley Rest, 313 S. Main-Mullins Dinner 6:30, Meeting at 7:00	Charles McRae	(843) 464-8012	cmcrae55@aol.com
5. Moultrie Camp	Mt. Pleasant - Camp Number 0027 (10th)	3rd Thursday 6:45pm	The Point, 176 Patriot's Point Rd., Mt. Pleasant	Clayton Martin	(843) 884-1740	redshirt@bellsouth.net
6. Private Thomas E. Caldwell	York - Camp Number 0031 (3rd)	2nd Thursday 7:00pm	McCelvey Historical Center, 212 E. Jefferson St., York	Adjutant William Stevens	(704) 825-6110	
7. John M. Kinard	Newberry - Camp Number 0035 (6th)	1st Wednesday, 7:00pm	Diane's Stable Steak House - 111 Grace St., Prosperity	Lewis Tarver	(803) 364-5171	bigalt@bellsouth.net
8. 16th Regt., South Carolina Volunteers	Greenville - Camp Number 0036 (2nd)	4th Thursday, 6:30pm - except Nov. and Dec.	Phoenix Inn - 246 N. Pleasantburg Dr., Greenville	Adjutant Bolt	(864) 322-0655	wsmam650@nuvox.net
9. Private John S. Bird, Palmetto Guard	North Charleston - Camp Number 0038 (10th)	2nd Thursday, 6:30 p.m.	Brecks Restaurant - Rivers Ave (Hwy 52N)	Christopher Ross	(843) 554-1360 (843) 308-4718	rossc38@comcast.net
10. Olde Abbeville	Abbeville - Camp Number 0039 (5th)	2nd Monday, 7:00pm	The Grange Hall, Grange Ave, Hwy 72, Greenwood	Frank Cook	(864) 543-1571	
11. Brigadier General Samuel McGowan	Laurens - Camp Number 0040 (2nd)	2nd Tuesday, 7:00pm	McGowan Camp HQ - 115 Calhoun St. (off East Farley) Laurens	William Burns, Jr.	(864) 984-7148	
12. John Thomas Ashley	Honea Path - Camp Number 0043 (1st)	4th Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	The Masonic Lodge, Honea Path	Allen Ashley	(864) 296-1275 (864) 934-4075	
13. Colonel Joseph Norton	Seneca - Camp Number 0045 (1st)	1st Tuesday, 6:30pm	Butterbeans, 286 Market St., Seneca	Harry Mays, Jr.	(864) 972-3629 (864) 972-2136	harrymays@netzero.net
14. General Richard H. Anderson	Beaufort - Camp Number 0047 (9th)	1st Monday 7:00pm	Harmony Masonic Lodge, Depot Road, Beaufort	Paul Griffin	(843) 524-8792 (843) 575-1199	pgriffin@isc.net
15. Brigadier General Milledge Luke Bohnam	Saluda - Camp Number 0048 (5th)	3rd Sunday, 3:00 pm	Old Pine Grove Schoolhouse, Hwy 39, Saluda	William Allen	(864) 445-9800	cmdr.camp_48@yahoo.com
16. 15th Regt., South Carolina Volunteers	Lexington - Camp Number 0051 (6th)	Last Thursday, 6:30pm	Porky D's BarBQ - 931 Two Notch Road, Lexington	Robert Epting	(803) 240-0898	bobbyepting@earthlink.net
17. Wee Nee Volunteers	Kingsree - Camp Number 0058 (7th)	2nd Monday of Even Months at 7:00pm	Williamsburg Co. Museum; corner of Mill St. & Hampton St - downtown Kingstree	Willie Brown	(843) 388-2580 (843) 382-2156	scvcamp58@yahoo.com
18. Sergeant Adam Washington Ballenger	Spartanburg - Camp Number 0068 (2nd)	3rd Tuesday, 6:00pm	Pig Out BBQ, corner of John Dodd Road & New Cut Rd, Spartanburg	Randy McGuinn	(864) 680-4698 (864) 599-9019	scvcamp68commander@hotmail.com
19. 2nd Regt., South Carolina Volunteers	Pickens - Camp Number 0071 (1st)	1st Thursday, 7:00pm	American Legion, Haygood St., Pickens	Danny Brissey	(828) 883-4639 (828) 384-9135	dbdxieb@yahoo.com
20. Colonel Olin M. Dantzler	Orangeburg - Camp Number 0073 (8th)	2nd Thursday, 7:00pm	The Kuckery, 210 Cannon Bridge Rd., Orangeburg	Joseph Rochester, Sr.	(803) 874-2598 (803) 874-4100	Rochester0@aol.com
21. W.E. James	Darlington - Camp Number 0074 (4th)	3rd Monday, 6:30pm	Takis Diner, 609 Pearl St., Darlington 843-393-8979	Robert Jones, Sr.	TBA	anv74@aol.com
22. Joseph B. Kershaw	Camden - Camp Number 0082 (4th)	3rd Thursday, 7:00pm	Camden Seafood Hut, 2538 N. Broad St., Camden	Gregory Boykin	(803) 438-0371 (803) 253-4050	jawdew@att.net
23. Walker-Gaston	Chester - Camp Number 0086 (3rd)	3rd Thursday, 7:00pm	Summit Food & Spirits Restaurant, 134 Main St., Chester	Donald Raborn	(803) 327-3757 (704) 583-5388	williammartinraborn@yahoo.com
24. Col. Donald R. Barton	Branchville - Camp Number 0121 (8th)	1st Tuesday 7:00pm	Richard's Restaurant, 605 Edward St, Branchville (803) 274-9550	Gil Myers	(803) 245-1769 (803) 245-1769	Gbrantville@aol.com
25. Gordon-Capers	St. George - Camp Number 0123 (9th)	Last Monday of the month 7:00pm	Community Hall St. George	Daniel Rhode	(803) 496-3637	scsunbird05@yahoo.com
26. Captain Moses Wood	Gaffney - Camp Number 0125 (3rd)	3rd Thursday, 6:30pm	MEETING PLACThe Cherokee Historical and Preservation Society Museum, Gaffney	William Blanton, Jr.	(864) 761-6875 (864) 489-6281	
27. Litchfield	Conway - Camp Number 0132 (7th)	3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm	Building behind Watson Funeral Home, 2300 Hwy 378, Conway	Terry Carter	(843) 397-2479 (843) 457-5079	beret92702@yahoo.com
28. H. L. Hunley	Summerville - Camp Number 0143 (9th)	4th Thursday, 6:30pm	Summerville Masonic Lodge on Main St. in Summerville next to KFC	Benjamin Bunting	(843) 261-0444 (843) 200-7561	f58905@knology.net
29. Major James Lide Coker	Hartsville - Camp Number 0146 (4th)	2nd Tuesday, 6:30pm	Hartsville Memorial Library - 147 West College Avenue, Hartsville	James Turnage	(843) 332-4722	Dannymuskelman@roadrunner.com
30. Lt. General Wade Hampton	Columbia - Camp Number 0273 (6th)	Next to last Thursday, 6:30pm (except Dec.)	Seawall's Restaurant, 1125 Rosewood Dr., Columbia	Judson Holt	(803) 318-2614 (803) 264-1130	j.d.holt@tsbssc.com
31. General Paul Quattlebaum	Batesburg-Leesville - Camp Number 0412 (6th)	Last Tuesday, 7:00pm	Shealy's BBQ, Leesville	Johnny Bailey	H:(864) 892-3328	johnnycb@pbcomm.net
32. Marlboro	Bennettsville - Camp Number 0835 (4th)	2nd Thursday at 6:00pm	300 West Main St., Bennettsville	Jim Tucker	(843) 479-4335	ski_king@bellsouth.net
33. Rivers Bridge	Fairfax - Camp Number 0842 (8th)	3rd Tuesday, 7:00pm	Barker's Mill mile south of Sycamore on Highway #321	Peter Boineau	(803) 245-0034 (803) 245-4347	
34. Colonel Henry Laurens Benbow	Manning - Camp Number 0859 (7th)	2nd Tuesday each month, 7:00 p.m.	Council for Aging - Manning	Steven Tollison	(803) 435-6990	stollison@sc.rr.com
35. Eutaw Regiment	Santee - Camp Number 1189 (8th)	3rd Tuesday 7:00pm	Civic Building - Corner HWY 6 and Hampton St., Elloree	Thomas Heape	(803) 823-2477	
36. General Ellison Capers	Moncks Corner - Camp Number 1212 (10th)	3rd Thursday, 7:00pm	The Black Eyed Susan, 515 East Main St., Moncks Corner	Wyman Woods, Jr.	(843) 761-7779 (843) 554-9701	
37. General Joe Wheeler	Aiken - Camp Number 1245 (5th)	1st Thursday, 6:30pm	Bar-B-Que Barn, 130 University Parkway, Aiken (Except October and April)	Lee Duvall	(803) 663-3252 (803) 279-9121	lduvall@atlanticbb.net
38. Star of the West	Charleston - Camp Number 1253 (10th)	1st Thurs (Sept - April)	Bond Hall, The Citadel, 171 Moultrie St., Charleston	Henry Dominick	(803) 271-2878	dominick1@citadel.edu
39. Fort Sumter	Charleston - Camp Number 1269 (10th)	2nd Thursday (irregular)	Charleston Club, East Bay St., Charleston	Robert Mikell	TBA	rmikell@aol.com
40. Pee Dee Rifles	Florence - Camp Number 1419 (7th)	4th Monday, 7:00pm	Shoneys near Magnolia Mall	James York	(843) 661-0585	randyork@earthlink.net
41. Palmetto Sharpshooters	Anderson - Camp Number 1428 (1st)	3rd Thursday, 6:30pm (Except December)	Fuddruckers Restaurant, Clemson blvd. & I-85, Anderson	Jim Whiteside	(864) 332-4748	jim.whiteside@charter.net
42. Witherspoon/Barnes	Lancaster - Camp Number 1445 (4th)	3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm	Captain's Galley Restaurant, 1305 Hwy 9 Bypass West, Lancaster	Roy Cloninger	(803) 286-5584 (803) 804-1787	SCV.Camp1445.Cmndr@gmail.com
43. General States Rights Gist	West Springs - Camp Number 1451 (3rd)	1st Sunday, 2:30pm	West Springs Community Center, Hwy 215, West Springs	Joel Foster	(864) 574-2023	fosterjl@spart6.org
44. General P.G.T. Beauregard	Sumter - Camp Number 1458 (4th)	1st Tuesday, 7:00pm	The Ramada Inn, 226 N. Washington St., Sumter (Buffet Meal)	James Rawls	(803) 773-0888	stanrxman@hotmail.com
45. Brigadier General Martin W. Gary	Edgefield - Camp Number 1532 (5th)	1st Thursday, 7:00pm (except Dec.)	Oakley Park, Main St. Behind Nat'l Guard Bldg., Edgefield	Thomas Plowden	TBA	tslap@integrity.com
46. General Basil W. Duke	Greer - Camp Number 1539 (2nd)	TBA	TBA	Duke Stern	(864) 670-9052	dnordstern@aol.com
47. Battery White	Georgetown - Camp Number 1568 (7th)	2nd Thursday of the month 6:30pm	Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept & Nov., Georgetown VFW	Vernon Parker, III	(843) 546-3059	lkparker@scoast.net
48. Brigadier General Micah Jenkins	Rock Hill - Camp Number 1569 (3rd)	2nd Tuesday, 7:00pm	Mayflower Seafood Restaurant 2124 Celanese Rd - Dinner at 6 pm	Brad Blackmon	(803) 802-8975 (803) 279-9803	bradblackmon@yahoo.com
49. Brigadier General Barnard E. Bee	Aiken - Camp Number 1575 (5th)	2nd Thursday, 7:00pm	Bobby's BBQ, 1897 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Warrenville	Ronald Jones	(803) 279-5293 (803) 279-9803	BOACdr09@aol.com
50. Colleton Rangers	Walterboro - Camp Number 1643 (9th)	4th Tuesday, 7:30pm (except Dec.)	Unity Lodge #55 A.F.M., 35 Trevor Dr., Walterboro	William Herndon	(843) 538-4498	
51. William H. Duncan/Hagoods	Barnwell - Camp Number 1650 (8th)	1st Tuesday, 7:00pm	Museum behind Library, Hagood & Marlboro Aves., Barnwell	H. Morris	(803) 541-7504	yenome@hughes.net
52. Sergeant Berry Benson	North Augusta - Camp Number 1672 (5th)	3rd Thursday, 7:00pm	Acacia Lodge AFM, Brookside Ave., North Augusta	Henry Reese	(803) 279-3314 (864) 279-7294	reesehome@comcast.net
53. Major Morgan/Hart's Battery	Springfield - Camp Number 1674 (8th)	3rd Tuesday, 7:30pm	Springfield Museum, Railroad Ave., Springfield	Tracy Sanders, Jr.	(803) 258-9206	carl.sanders@uap.com
54. Captain Moses T. Fowler	Fountain Inn - Camp Number 1721 (2nd)	3rd Monday, 6:00pm (2nd Monday in Dec)	Fairview Presby. Church Social Hall between Fountain Inn & Hickory Tav	Bobby Skipper, Jr.	(864) 908-5929	Bobby_Skipper@yahoo.com
55. 10th Regt., South Carolina Volunteers	Prospect - Camp Number 1749 (7th)	2nd Tuesday, 7:30pm	The "Store" 831 Owens Swamp Road, Johnsonville	Joseph Thompson	(843) 386-9470 (803) 665-9944	jthompson@fcsa.org
56. General John Bratton	Winnsboro - Camp Number 1816 (3rd)	2nd Tuesday, 7:00pm	Red Hand Farm, WET Site, Jackson Creek Road, Winnsboro	John Fogle	(803) 754-4817 (803) 776-1627	John_Fogle@bellsouth.net
57. Hampton Redshirt Rider	Columbia - Camp Number 1876 (6th)	1st Monday each month - 6:30 p.m.	Cayce Museum - 1800 12th St., Cayce	ADJUTANT: Julian Shand, Jr.	(803) 738-1141	jshand@sc.rr.com
58. Hampton's Iron Scouts	Dentsville - Camp Number 1945 (6th)	Last Monday, 7:00pm	Call the Camp Commander or Camp Adjutant for details	Stephen Jones	(803) 791-7492 (803) 957-9034	
59. General David F. Jamison	Spartanburg - Camp Number 1954 (2nd)	2nd Thursday 7:00pm	Poplar Springs Fire Dept, Hwy 290 E, Moore	David Jones	(864) 576-4235	cjone5@bellsouth.net
61. First in Secession	Chesterfield - Camp Number 1963 (4th)	1st Thursday, 6:00pm	The Mayflower Seafood Restaurant, 309 Chesterfield Hwy, Cheraw	Marcus Canipe	(843) 623-3327	firstinsecession@hotmail.com
62. Captain P.D. Gilreath	Greer - Camp Number 1987 (2nd)	1st Tuesday 7:00pm	Greer Public Library - room to the left of the front door	John Lynn	(864) 848-1448 (864) 879-2758	johnereb@bellsouth.net
63. Capt. A.T. Harlee	Dillon - Camp Number 2010 (7th)	3rd Tuesday, 7:00pm	American Legion - Hwy 9 East, Dillon	Larry Jones	TBA	
64. Rebels In Grey	Westminster - Camp Number 2027 (1st)	2nd Monday, 7:00pm	Toxaway Baptist Church- 4044 North Jenkins Bridge Rd, Westminster	William Smith	(864) 647-5453 (864) 973-5404	rebels.in.grey@gmail.com
65. Lynches Creek Guards	Lynchburg - Camp Number 2045 (4th)	2nd Thursday 6:30pm	Compass Seafood Restaurant, Turbeville	Billy Graham	(843) 659-4619 (843) 393-2855	beglccg@hotmail.com
66. South Carolina 17th Regiment	Hilda - Camp Number 2069 (8th)	3rd Monday, 7:00pm	Regimental Hall - Hwy 70, Hilda	John Gray	(803) 259-3918 (803) 793-8794	tjgray@bellsouth.net
67. Manse Jolly	Piedmont - Camp Number 0006 (1st)	2nd Saturday every other month	Powdersville Library - 4 Civic Court, Easley	Ron Wilson	(864) 605-1000 (800) 327-8606	wilsonr@atlanticbullionandcoin.com
68. 3rd SC Cavalry Co I of Edisto	Edisto Island - Camp Number 0131 (9th)	2nd Saturday 8:30am	Po Pig BBQ, Highway 174, Edisto Island	Cecil Gooding	(843) 889-4141	cgooding2@hotmail.com
69. Colonel Charles Jones Colcock	Ridgeland - Camp Number 2100 (9th)	3rd Thursday every other month (Jan, Mar, etc.)	Jasper's Front Porch - 100 James Taylor Drive, Ridgeland	John Sutton	(843) 726-5591	banjopicker66@hotmail.com
70. Mechanized Cavalry Headquarters	Blacksburg - Camp Number 0212 (3rd)	TBA	TBA	Patrick Carroll	(864) 936-9220	capt@southcarolinascmechanizedcavalry.or
71. Colonel E. T. Stackhouse	Latta - Camp Number 1576 (7th)	3rd Monday	Contact the Commander	James Price	(843) 841-0267 (803) 774-2636	jprice@forestry.state.sc.usg
72. Horry Rough and Readys	Myrtle Beach - Camp Numbr 1026 (7th)	1st Thursday, 6:30pm	Big D's BBQ Barn, 350 George Bishop Parkway, Myrtle Beach	Harold Pippin, Jr.	(843) 236-1757 (843) 477-1213	hp1757@scoast.net
73. Fort Johnson	James Island - Camp Number 1201 (10th)	Last Tuesday, 7:00pm	VFW Post #445, 1639 Camp Rd., Charleston	James Wheeler	(843) 795-6070 (843) 554-9701	



With the commencement of the Sesquicentennial, we are seeing more opportunities to successfully defend the Confederate soldier's good name!

For example, thanks to the work of Kirk Carter, 3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade Commander and his Camp, the York County Council unanimously proclaimed May as the **Confederate Heritage and History Month**. You and your camp can take similar action and be successful as well. I would put General Jackson's motto in mind, to wit, that *in the absence of orders, attack!*

There is another recent situation of National import that I would encourage each of you to investigate, and then respond. Normally, I defer national issues to our National Heritage Chief, Dr. Tom Hiter, for him to address exclusively, but this issue is a time sensitive one. In early April, a hospitalized elderly quadriplegic veteran of the Korean War had his small Confederate battle flag confiscated from his room by the Veterans Administration Police because two employees were offended by the flag. He had the flag because of his grandfather's memory, a veteran of the Tennessee Brigade, with whom he had grown up. Remember, under title 38 USC Confederates are U.S. Veterans. It has been requested that you send Mr. Thrasher a card and a Confederate item or flag. I hope you all will be as outraged as I am and request of our representatives in Washington that the Director of the facility and the two offended employees be removed. I am a veteran myself, and we owe so much to our veterans, yet the

very people paid to care for them attack a helpless old man's heritage and comfort.

Send your support directly to:

Mr. Perry A. Thrasher  
111-2 Spinal Cord Unit  
1-West  
c/o VA Medical Center  
1030 Jefferson Ave.  
Memphis, TN. 38104

I would encourage you also to send letters of protest to the facility's Director at the same address; the facility phone number is 901-523-8990. Mail makes a more significant impact than an e-mail. Be sure to adhere to General Lee's admonitions to avoid foul language and threats, but make your statements strong!

While this is not a normal South Carolina issue, I believe it is an issue that each of us must address.

Further, the Southern Legal Resource Center is considering legal action, and can provide more information in this endeavor as well. They can be reached at:

Southern Legal Resource Center  
90 Church Street  
P.O.Box 1235  
Black Mountain, NC 28711  
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The Hardwick case is awaiting the School's response, so there is nothing new to report at this time.

As a reminder, I have set up a designated e-mail address for SC Division Heritage issues. Please contact me at [scheritagedefense@hotmail.com](mailto:scheritagedefense@hotmail.com). I check this e-mail address at least daily, so you can be assured of a quick response. I look forward to hearing from you!

The men who wore the Grey for us surely are proud and grateful for our efforts.

I stand ready to serve you and your camps!

I remain in the Service of King Jesus,

For the Cause:

“What have you  
done for the  
Confederate  
Veteran Today?”

## THE DAY PORTUGUESE GUNS GAVE FIRE SUPPORT TO A CONFEDERATE WARSHIP

By Raphael Waldburg-Zeil - European Associate Editor

The British Channel off Cherbourg in June 1864 was not the only place in Europe that heard artillery fire related to the distant American “Civil War”. Heavy guns were fired in Lisbon Harbor, Portugal against two US Navy frigates almost a year later during a little known incident which was conveniently forgotten after the War. It was in fact the only time guns in Europe opened fire against American ships during the WBTS. Certainly, it was not a Portuguese act of war but it was a volley of coastal artillery nevertheless. So what happened exactly?

19th Century International Law ordered belligerent navies to maintain a 24-hour waiting period for a warship in a neutral port in the case of an enemy ship having arrived first going to leave it. That forced lapse avoided engagements in neutral territorial waters (CSS Alabama quite often benefited from that). On March 28th the Confederate ironclad ram CSS Stonewall left Lisbon to cross the Atlantic. Union steam frigates USS Niagara and Sacramento had arrived afterwards. The firing incident resulted when the Portuguese authorities detected the USS Niagara was shifting her berth in the harbor and was promptly fired upon by the batteries of Fort Belem on the presumption that she was trying to follow the CSS Stonewall to sea and intercept the Confederate warship before expiration of the mentioned period. Did the Portuguese react so violently perhaps due to prior bad experiences with Yankee Government policies upon the usage of international sea law?

Lisbon authorities knew very well the diplomatic incident caused by the capture of the CSS Florida in the harbor of Bahia in Brazil, when the USS Wachusset penetrated that neutral port in the night of October 7, 1864 and boarded the Florida by surprise (much of the crew was knocked-out by yellow fever) then taking it as an illegal prize to U.S. territory. After Brazilian protests Lincoln acknowledged international law rules, but mysteriously the Florida was sunk at Hampton Roads instead of releasing the ship. Portugal and Brazil are sister nations and we may presume the Portuguese were not pleased at all to watch a possible new attempt of the Yankees to break international war in Lisbon waters! Anyway, the USS Niagara received no damage as just a few warning shots were fired (but they successfully

forced the Union ships to stay until next morning, thus giving full support to the leaving Confederate ship).

After the War the US Secretary of the Navy assured there was “no intention” of leaving Lisbon secretly. Portugal then apologized for “overreacting”. As no part had any interest in diplomatic troubles, to conformity of both sides the little affair



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ton, South Carolina where the Secession Convention reconvened on December 18. South Carolina delegates laid down their very lives as their ancestors had done in 1776 when they signed the Ordinance of Secession and South Carolina officially left the union on December 20. General David Flavel Jamison, President of the Secession Convention, gave the following charge to the delegates: “To dare, to dare, and again I say to dare.” The vote that day was unanimous with all 169 delegates voting to leave the union. South Carolina was the only state to secede unanimously from the Union.

Over the next one hundred and forty-four years Secession Hill remained in private hands. A house of about 2000 square feet was built circa 1894 and a smaller house built later. The area was over-run with vines, underbrush, and thousands of glass bottles and cans littered the area. Secession Hill was simply a piece of forgotten property and had little or no historical significance to Abbeville. In fact, most residents of the area didn't really know where Secession Hill was located in the town. Often when asked by visitors where Secession Hill was located, residents might reply that they didn't know themselves.

In 2001, Robert Hayes moved to Abbeville and opened the “Southern Patriot Shop.” One day in November of 2001, he overheard a conversation between two men in his shop in which one man said he owned the tract of land known as Secession Hill. This man was Jack Mattison of Columbia. Mr. Hayes immediately began discussion and negotiation to purchase that land from Mr. Mattison. The property had been zoned for multi-housing by the city of Abbeville and Mr. Hayes and others feared that it could fall into the hands of a developer and be gone forever.

In April of 2004, Mr. Hayes and the Southern Cultural Centre, Inc. purchased the 1.9 acre tract and began a journey of clearing and preparing the property for

of man-hours went into the clearing of the two houses, vines, bottles, trees, debris and most of that work was done by Mr. Hayes himself. The grave of an unknown Alabama soldier was located on the property and marked. This soldier had died on a train passing through Abbeville

as he was on his way home after the war, and he was buried on Secession Hill. In addition, "Secession Rock" which holds a bronze marker, placed there by the United Daughters of the Confederacy circa 1950, was moved across the line from the adjoining property and placed at the sight of the platform where the speeches were actually given. No specific date is on the plaque which simply reads "This stone marks the spot where the first secession speeches were made." An addition to the park is a beautiful sixty-five foot flag pole which adorns the grounds of the Memorial Park.

During the period from 2004-2007 five beautiful oak trees, which had witnessed the secession meeting, were lost due to storms or other reasons. Mr. Hayes harvested the wood and has produced beautiful hand-crafted sculptures and bowls which he sells in his shop. All proceeds go toward the development of the planned Secession Memorial Park. The Southern Cultural Center hopes to have a Wall of Honor on which the names of the 18,666 South Carolina Confederate dead will be inscribed. Individuals may purchase pavers and have the names of their ancestors inscribed on each for later placement in the park. In addition, the original Confederate Monument given to Abbeville by the UDC in 1906 will be given a new home in the Memorial Park. This monument was damaged by fire in 1991. It was taken to Elberton, Georgia where it was used as a template for the monument now in place on the courthouse square in Abbeville. The original monument, however, will be placed in the Memorial Park in the future. Also, there are plans to erect a monument to honor John C. Calhoun who was born ten miles outside of Abbeville but practiced law there. Contributions to Secession Hill Memorial Park may be made to The Southern Cultural Centre, c/o Robert Hayes, 107 North Main Street, Abbeville, SC 29620.

During the Sons of Confederate Veterans National Reunion in Anderson, SC this past July of 2010, a tour of Abbeville and Secession Hill was offered to those wishing to participate. The property was ready for public access and a new historical marker in place, although not officially dedicated yet. Several busloads

of SCV gentlemen and their guests stood on the precious site where it all began, now over 150 years ago. Mr. Robert Hayes himself was on hand to give a brief history of the hill and answer questions. One couple from Texas remarked that they had Confederate history in Texas but you have to look for it there. In SC, it was all around you.

On November 20, 2010, Secession Hill was officially dedicated as a Memorial Park. A beautiful bronze highway marker was unveiled with several hundred in attendance. Among those attending were the South Carolina Division President Eloise Verdin, the South Carolina Division Third Vice President Carol Leake, and the President of the South Carolina Division Children of the Confederacy Charlotte Mitchell. Among others attending were descendants of the Signers of the Ordinance of Secession from the Abbeville, Barnwell, and Laurens Districts. The beautiful ceremony included speeches by Robert Hayes, Aubrey Cheek and David Rutledge. Mr. Hayes gave information on how he and the Southern Cultural Centre gained possession of the property. Mr. Cheek, an Abbeville town historian, outlined the historical events of November 22, 1860 while Mr. Rutledge, a descendant

of David Jamison, discussed how his family was affected by the act of Secession. General David Flavel Jamison was the one who gave the charge “To Dare” at the South Carolina Secession Convention. His descendant Mr. David Rutledge was there to represent him 150 years later in his moving speech on how this family and many others suffered during the War. The music for the ceremony was provided by Un-Reconstructed of Alabama. After all remarks were made and speeches given, Mr. Rutledge and Miss Mitchell had the distinct honor of unveiling the beautiful new marker. The gratitude of South Carolina is due to Mr. Robert Hayes for his diligence and hard work, for without him Secession Hill would have been lost forever. Secession Hill once again has its rightful place in South Carolina history to be enjoyed for generations to come.

*Jennifer Sawyer is the Sec./Treas. of the Captain William Farley Chapter of the OCR and the President of the Joseph Brevard Kershaw Chapter 205 of the UDC in Laurens, SC.*



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## STEPHEN D. LEE HISTORICAL PROJECT AWARD

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	First in Secession Camp 1963 – Living History
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Capt Andrew T. Harllee Camp 2010 – Mt. Holly Cemetery Work
1st. Place Dixie Level	H. L. Hunley Camp 143 – Boone Hill Monument
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	Col E. T Stackhouse Camp 1576
2nd. Place Dixie Level	Secession Camp 4 – Confederate Heritage Ride

## DAVID KELLER CEMETERY BRIGADE CHALLENGE

1st. Place – Brigade:	7th Brigade - Ken Thrasher Commander Camps: 10th Regt. SC Volunteers Camp 1749 1576Marion Camp 24 Battery White Camp 1568 Col. E. T. Stackhouse Camp Col. Henry Laurens Benbow Camp 859 Litchfield Camp 132 Pee Dee Rifles 1419
2nd Place - Brigade:	9th Brigade- Joe Willis Commander Camps: Col. Charles Jones Colcock Camp 2100 Gen. Richard H. Anderson Camp 47 H.L. Hunley Camp 143

## SOUTHERN CROSS GRAVES AWARD

1st. Place	Litchfield Camp 132 – Anthology of all Horry County Graves
2nd. Place	Captain Andrew T. Harllee Camp 2010 - Mt. Holly Cemetery Project

## CONVENTION ATTENDANCE AWARD

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	Col. Charles Jones Colcock Camp 2100
1st. Place Palmetto Level	John M. Kinard Camp 35
1st. Place Dixie Level	H.L. Hunley Camp 143

## ROBERT E. LEE OUTSTANDING CAMP AWARD

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	Palmetto Camp 22
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Gen. Ellison Capers Camp 1212
1st. Place Dixie Level	H.L. Hunley Camp 143
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	Joseph B. Kershaw Camp 82
2nd. Place Dixie Level	Lt. General Wade Hampton Camp 273

## JEFFERSON DAVIS COMMANDERS AWARD

Litchfield Camp 132

## 2011 Division Individual Award Recipients

## JOHN AMASA MAY AWARD

David Rentz • Jeff Antley • Gene Hogan

## STONEWALL JACKSON AWARD

Ricky Badger • Jody Henson • Frank Berry

**WADE HAMPTON AWARD**

Stephen Douglas • Dean Stevens • Terry Carter

## OUTSTANDING SOUTHERN CITIZEN AWARD

Raphael Waldburg-Zeil


## JEFFERSON DAVIS COMMANDER'S AWARD

## COMMANDERS LETTER OF COMMENDATION

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Vohn Busby	Dean Stevens	Robert Roper	Joseph L. Payne, III
Ed Moon	Ken Temples	Randy Burbage	Jeff O'Cain
Bill Norris	Sam Howell	Ricky Badger	Ken Thrasher
Paul Graham	Mike Marshall	David Rentz	Confederate Heritage Trust
Dennis Todd	Kevin Rorer	Andy Langdale	Leland Summers
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*European Associate Editor Raphael Waldburg-Zeil  
with his outstanding Southern Citizen Award*



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Afterwards there were cries of “God bless you Mr. President,” that were heard by the crowd. Then there were speakers. The biggest cheers came when the speakers noted that they were there to celebrate the birth of the Confederacy, which some said was based on a “government for the people and by the people.”

One of the first was Charles Rand, adjutant in chief of the SCV. He got the crowd going by shouting “Long Live Dixie.” He added, “We tried to recreate this as close as we could. We wanted to give a glimpse into history.” Rand said his ancestors include Civil War and Revolutionary War veterans, and events like Saturday’s are meant to praise what they stood for. Rand concluded, “For me, I celebrate the right of our ancestors to have a government of our own choosing and so do we.”

Kelly Barrow, Lt. Commander of the SCV, seemed to address those who criticized the celebration. Barrow asked if those in the crowd would rather hear from those in attendance or organizations such as MSNBC, USA Today, or the Southern Poverty Law Center, whose names generated a chorus of boos from the crowd.

Barrow also referenced fictional character Harry Potter in his speech, using him to address the struggle of good versus evil. He went on to mention Rosa Parks, stating while she moved from the back of the bus to the front, the “people of the Confederacy have moved to the back of the bus.”

Chuck McMichael, the immediate past Commander-in-chief of the SCV gave a fiery speech in which he said we were here to vindicate the honor of our Confederate veterans and the truth for which they stood. He said “the celebration of the Confederacy is a very personal issue with me.” He compared it to the celebration of Independence Day, Veterans Day, and Memorial Day.

McMichael ended his speech by holding up a large Confederate flag and shouted “as long as there blows a Southern breeze, this flag will fly in it. He received a rousing ovation.

The celebration of the Davis

1861. The people in period costume, the soldiers, the firing of the salutes, the band playing Dixie.

Some people from Alabama were attracted to the rally because they saw the flags and heard the music. Mrs. Lee Beasley was in attendance, but not dressed



PPJ Staff Writer Bob Slimp and Div. Adjutant Ricky Badger

in Confederate attire. She was in town from Tuscaloosa with husband and son. When they saw what was happening they wanted to know what was going on. She said, “We had a real good time and my son made sure the cannons were pointed away from the family.” After the celebration was over, he asked a participant if he could have his Confederate flag. The smiling man, who was an SCV member gladly, gave him his flag. “He was careful not to let it touch the ground,” Mrs. Beasley said with a smile.

Personally I thought this was an exciting and wonderful observance. Montgomery is a beautiful old Southern City with a particularly attractive State House. I am reminded of the words of Alabama Governor, George Wallace, when he said in his first State of the State address to the Alabama Legislature shortly after becoming Governor for the first time. He said, “Montgomery is the first, best, and next capitol of the Confederacy.” I remember those words when he first spoke them on the campaign trail and before the Legislature. These words were of course used as a sound bite by the media and they were widely publicized. I had the privilege, about two years ago, of talking to his son George Wallace Jr., whom I know. He smiled and said, “Yes, Dad



Past CIC Chris Sullivan Addresses the Crowd

Inauguration ended with Christopher Sullivan giving a historical narrative on the raising of the first, First National Flag. This event did not take place until March 4, 1861, but Sullivan said they wanted to include it in the re-enactment. Those present watched as the First National Flag was raised. After the flag was raised, the Honor Guard gave gun salutes with muskets and cannons. Chaplain Mark Evans then gave the benediction. The Heritage Rally ended with our own South Carolina Division leading everyone in the enthusiastic singing of “Dixie.”

This event looked so real that I believe we all felt as though we were actually there on that historic February day in

said that. He truly loved the South and so do I.”

The bus trip home to South Carolina began at 2:30 in the afternoon. It was again a time of fun and fellowship. More compatriots went to the mike, including our past SCV Division Commander Randy Burbage and Jack Marlar, of course. Commander Mark Simpson, asked our Chaplain to tell us some humorous stories. The time went by quickly and we had supper at a Golden Corral near the Georgia border. By about ten o’clock we were back in Columbia, proud of our ancestors, proud of the SCV, and happy that we are able to keep Dixie and all that she stands for alive until “Gabriel blows his horn.

## CAMP CLASSIFIEDS

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### Camp Classifieds

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### Confederate Soldiers Monument Moncks Corner, SC

The C. S. S. David Chapter #2656 United Daughters of the Confederacy and the General Ellison Capers Camp #1212 Sons of Confederate Veterans will be placing a marker containing the names of 264 Berkeley County Confederate soldier's names. Both of these organizations are located in Moncks Corner, SC

*This monument dedication service will be held  
June 25th, 2011 - 10:00 am  
Berkeley County Museum  
Moncks Corner, SC.*

*You are cordially invited to come out and join  
us in honoring the men of Berkeley County  
who fought for their homeland.*

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ate States of America displayed the first President of the United States riding on a horse in the Great Seal of the Confederacy. This was done in full awareness of being in the best tradition of the Old Union and the origins of America. The NAACP hates everything related to Confederate heritage. Does it hate President Washington for that reason? Or does it hate him just because he was white? Or perhaps because they hate the very origin of the United States? Is this supposed civil rights movement just an old-fogeyish and revengeful group of insane radicals or do they have a sharp, well-designed anti-American agenda? In both cases they have definitely lost every right to criticize the Confederacy (if they ever had any). President George Washington, like all the other Founding Fathers and those rightful men who signed the Ordinance of Secession for South Carolina and the

ones of the other Southern States knew very well the timeless truths about fallen mankind's tyrannical lust for power - and the NAACP has been denounced often enough within and without the USA for supporting a totalitarian socialist agenda. Maybe that's why the statue of President Washington in Columbia is such an offensive threat to them. Even suspicion of black racism against whites has already reached the press abroad. The NAACP should take care of what they say and do. By attacking the memory of America's first President they prove themselves to be un-American, and by attacking Confederate heritage they prove in addition they are just a retrograde hate group. Definitely, it's time for the members of the NAACP to drop their pants and tell us one-by-one how they define America - and how they define themselves.

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# South Carolina's Marine Flag

On Feb 12, 2011, as stewards of South Carolina's military history, the South Carolina Confederate Relic Room & Military Museum, with the help of Columbia's Mayor, Steve Benjamin, proudly unveiled its latest acquisition; a South Carolina Flag from Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The flag, made in US Marine Corps camouflage fabric, was created by South Carolinians Capt. Michael Roberson, Gunnery Sergeant Jeffrey L.O. Holliday, and Staff Sergeant Jason Motes while stationed in Iraq as members of the Marine light attack helicopter squadron HMLA-167. These self-proclaimed "Die Hard South Carolinians" were inspired to create the flag after celebrating "Carolina Day," the day that recognizes the anniversary of the Battle of Fort Sullivan in 1776.



Gy Sgt Holliday is a proud member of the Gen. Richard H. Anderson Camp #47 of Beaufort, SC. Museum Director, Allen Roberson, said the flag is a welcome addition to the collection and that it was an honor to have Mayor Benjamin help



L-R: Steve Benjamin, Mayor of Columbia; Gy Sgt Jeffrey Holliday; Allen Roberson, Dir. Confederate Relic Room.

present the flag to the public. "It is a proud moment for the museum and we appreciate Mayor Benjamin joining us to pay tribute to these brave South Carolina veterans of the War on Terror."

Submitted by Compatriot Jody Henson who is a past Commander and current Public Relations Officer of the Gen. Richard H. Anderson Camp # 47 in Beaufort.



"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish."

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